

Group and other reports available on the Vocational Education, a Strategy Paper has been prepared. A Committee has also been constituted to study the reports and to bring out a revised scheme, if necessary, for implementation during the next Plan period.

Pay scale of Primary Teachers

3111. SHRI V. V. RAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state what has been the fate of the proposal, reportedly under consideration of Government of India, to upgrade the pay scales of Primary Teachers of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti etc., who had been given a raw deal while implementing the revised pay scale of central teachers, following the report of Fifth Central Pay Commission?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): The proposal for upgrading the pay scales of the Primary Teachers was considered in the National Anomaly Committee and a disagreement was recorded. The matter has now to be considered through Arbitration.

Value based education

3112. SHRI ANANTA SETHI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have a proposal to promote value based education;
- (b) if so, whether University Grants Commission has prepared a syllabus therefor; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof, alongwith the programme proposed in 2001-2002?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) Yes, Sir. The Government is already implementing a scheme of Assistance for Strengthening Culture and Value in Education.